

# **Certified Nurses Assistant**

### **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**



The General Assembly has allocated \$35,000 specifically for Certified Nurses Assistants in 2021. This addition to the Mary Marshall Nursing scholarship program is for students enrolled in or graduated from an approved Certified Nurses Assistant (CNA) program. CNA programs include 120 hours of education (40 hours are clinicals and passing the National Nurse Aide Assessment leading to licensure in Virginia. Under the law, all scholarship awards are made by an Advisory Committee appointed by the State Board of Health. The Office of Health Equity (OHE) of the State Health Department serves as the staff element to the Advisory Committee and has no role in the determination of scholarship recipients. The basis for determining scholarship recipients is established by the Advisory Committee with due regard given to scholastic attainment, character, and adaptability to the nursing profession.

#### **Scholarship Programs**

Funding for the Mary Marshall Nursing Scholarship Program (MMNSP) is dependent upon funds appropriated each year by the Virginia General Assembly and by Board of Nursing, as well as the number of qualified applicants.

Participants in the MMNSP for Certified Nursing Aides (CNA) shall receive up to \$1,000.

#### Who is eligible?

CNAs who graduated, received licensure or certification within 1 year of the application and are employed or has a contract to be working or is enrolled in a program to begin licensure process with an employer and had an anticipated employment start date.

## **Application**

The application cycle begins **January 1** and closes **February 28, 2022.** 

For more information and to apply, please visit:

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